Nine Mile Creek Distribution System Meeting Summary of Minutes January 29, 1971, at 1:00 p.m.

Donald C. Norseth opened the meeting with the discussion of last years distribution and some of the problems that were encountered by the commissioner, Dave Rowley, who had made 16 trips into the area, along with the water supply in 1970 and the water forecast for 1971. The summation of the distribution brought out the fact that Mr. Rowley, being from out of the Nine Mile area incurred most of his expenses in travel. Therefore, it would probably be more economical to obtain a commissioner from the area. Mr. Bene suggested that two men should be selected from the water users. One would be from the Preston Nutter Corporation, and one would represent the other water users. A lenthy discussion resulted from this suggestion in which the water users expressed their opinions pro and con. Mr. Norseth then asked the water users to express themselves by voting. The results were:

Jack Wimmer for two men Henry Mills for two men Nev Wimmer for two men Albert Thayn for two men Amber Keel for two men Mrs. Louis Motte for two men Lyle Bryner for two men Frank Albertson no commissioner

It was noted that no representative for the Preston Nutter Corporation attended the meeting.

A discussion of last year's budget and finances was held, and a total budget of \$350 was established for 1971 to be assessed all water users according to four measurements made by the State Engineer's Office as near to June 15, 1971, as practicable. All ditches then receiving water would be assessed in proportion to the amount of water in the ditches.

The extent of the system covered by the commissioner was the center of much discussion. In 1970, the commissioner limited his activities to the area formerly distributed by John Bene from the Preston Nutter #1 Diversion to the top of the system. It was unanimously recommended by all at the meeting that the system now include all diversions down to the Green River including the Pace ranch and the Frank Albertson lower ranch.

There were no recommendations as to the selection of the commissioners by the water users. It was decided by all present that on February 22, 1971, at 1:00 p.m., there would be a meeting held at the Nev Wimmer ranch for the purpose of selecting: 1- a committee to represent the system, 2- commissioners to distribute the system, and 3- the remuneration of the commissioners and the allocation of the funds to cover the expenses.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Those present:

Frank Reese, State Engineer's Office Lyle B. Bryner, Minnie Maude Creek Mrs. Louis Motte, Minnie Maude Creek Minutes of Nine Mile Creek Meeting January 29, 1971 Page 2

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Albert Thayn
N.L. Wimmer, Nine Mile, Minnie Maude & Argyle Creek
Henry Mills, Argyle Creek
H.J. Wimmer
Frank Albertson, Nine Mile
Donald Norseth, State Engineer's Office
John Bene, State Engineer's Office
George Waterman, Price River Water Users' Association

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